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RE: Application Serial No.: 09/556,777

Applicants: Akira GODA, et al.

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Date: Allowed: 06/09/04

For: NONVOLATILE SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY
DEVICE COVERED WITH INSULATING FILM
WHICH IS HARD FOR AN OXIDIZING AGENT TO
PASS THERETHROUGH

Group Art Unit: 2822

Examiner: SOWARD, I.

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.181

COPY OF PTO FORM 1449

COPY OF FILING RECEIPT DATED JULY 25, 2003

Our check in the amount of **\$0.00** is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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This petition is in response to the Notice of Allowance mailed June 9, 2004.

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested. Claims 26-37, 45, 49, 51-61, and 69-71 are pending in the present application, and no claims have been amended herewith.

This petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181 requests that the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed on July 25, 2003, be considered and acknowledged. Applicants have not received a signed copy of the filed PTO Form-1449 (a copy of which is attached herewith) indicating that the publications submitted therein have been considered. Accordingly, this petition requests that the submitted IDS be considered and acknowledged.

An action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

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In the matter of the Application of: Akira GODA, et al.

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FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME

Due Date: 07/30/03

The following has been received in the U.S. Patent Office on the date stamped hereon:

- Dep. Acct. Order Form
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